

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to voters at an election to be held on November 5, 1985. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing proceeds from the sale of land dedicated to the permanent school fund to be used to acquire other land for that fund."

Adopted by the Senate on March 20, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 27, Nays 0;
adopted by the House on May 21, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 137, Nays 5,
five present not voting.

Received: May 29, 1985

To be voted on: November 5, 1985

S.J.R. No. 27

Senate Joint Resolution proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish certain county offices in certain counties.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Article XVI, Section 44, of the Texas Constitution is amended to read as follows:

"Section 44. (a) Except as *otherwise* provided by ~~Subsection (b) and Subsection (b)(1) of~~ this section, the Legislature shall prescribe the duties and provide for the election by the qualified voters of each county in this State, of a County Treasurer and a County Surveyor, who shall have an office at the county seat, and hold their office for four years, and until their successors are qualified; and shall have such compensation as may be provided by law.

"(b) The office of County Treasurer in the counties of Tarrant and Bee is abolished and all the powers, duties, and functions of the office in each of these counties are transferred to the County Auditor or to the officer who succeeds to the auditor's functions. *The*

~~"[(b)(1) The] office of County Treasurer in the counties of Bexar and Collin are abolished and all the powers, duties, and functions of the office in each of these counties are transferred to the County Clerk. However,~~

~~"[(e) Provided however, that] the office of County Treasurer shall be abolished in the [above] counties covered by this subsection only after a local election has been held in each county and the proposition 'to abolish the elective office of county treasurer' has passed by a majority of those persons voting in said election.~~

~~"(c) The office of County Treasurer in Andrews County is abolished and all the powers, duties, and functions of that office are transferred to the County Auditor of that county or to the officer who succeeds to the auditor's functions.~~

~~"(d) The office of County Treasurer in El Paso County is abolished. The Commissioners Court of the county may employ or contract with a qualified person or may designate another county officer to perform any of the functions that would have been performed by the County Treasurer if the office had not been abolished. However, the office of County Treasurer in El Paso County is abolished under this subsection only if, at the statewide election at which this amendment is submitted to the voters, a majority of the voters of El Paso County voting on the question at that election favor the amendment.~~

~~"(e) The office of County Surveyor in the counties of Denton, Randall, Collin, Dallas, El Paso, and Henderson is abolished upon the approval of the abolition by a majority of the qualified voters of the respective county voting on the question at an election that the Commissioners Court of the county may call. If the election is called, the Commissioners Court shall order the ballot at the election to be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: 'Abolishing the office of county surveyor.' Each qualified voter of the county is entitled to vote in the election. If the office of County Surveyor is abolished under this subsection, the maps, field notes, and other records in the custody of the County Surveyor are transferred to the County Clerk of the county. After abolition, the Commissioners Court may employ or contract with a qualified person to perform any of the functions that would have been performed by the County Surveyor if the office had not been abolished.~~

~~"(f) The office of County Treasurer in Andrews County is abolished under Subsection (c) of this section on the adoption of the constitutional amendment that added that subsection and that was proposed by Senate Joint Resolution 27 of the 69th Legislature, Regular Session, 1985. The office of County Treasurer in El Paso County is abolished under Subsection (d) of this section on January 1, 1986, if the conditions of that subsection are met. If that office in El Paso County is not abolished, Subsection (d) of this section expires January 1, 1986. This subsection expires January 2, 1986."~~

SECTION 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 5, 1985. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to provide for:

"(1) the abolition of the office of county treasurer in Andrews County and El Paso County;

"(2) the abolition of the office of county surveyor in Collin, Dallas, Denton, El Paso, Henderson, and Randall Counties."

Adopted by the Senate on May 6, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0; May 24, 1985, Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested appointment of Conference Committee; May 27, 1985, House granted request of the Senate; May 27, 1985, Senate adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; adopted by the House, with amendments, on May 22, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 100, Nays 40, six present not voting; May 27, 1985, House granted request of the Senate for appointment of Conference Committee; May 27, 1985, House adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 5, one present not voting.

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To be voted on: November 5, 1985

S.J.R No. 33

Senate Joint Resolution proposing a constitutional amendment relating to statutory revision and to the requirement that each bill have a title expressing the subject of the bill.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Article III, Section 35, of the Texas Constitution is amended to read as follows:

"Section 35. (a) No bill, (except general appropriation bills, which may embrace the various subjects and accounts, for and on account of which moneys are appropriated) shall contain more than one subject[; ~~which shall be expressed in its title. But if any subject shall be embraced in an act, which shall not be expressed in the title, such act shall be void only as to so much thereof, as shall not be so expressed.~~].

"(b) *The rules of procedure of each house shall require that the subject of each bill be expressed in its title in a manner that gives the legislature and the public reasonable notice of that subject. The legislature is solely responsible for determining compliance with the rule.*

"(c) *A law, including a law enacted before the effective date of this subsection, may not be held void on the basis of an insufficient title.*"

SECTION 2. Article III, Section 43, of the Texas Constitution is amended to read as follows:

"Section 43. (a) The [~~first session of the~~] Legislature [~~under this Constitution~~] shall provide for revising, digesting and publishing the laws, civil and criminal; [~~and a like revision, digest and publication may be made every ten years thereafter.~~] provided, that in the adoption of and giving effect to any such digest or revision, the Legislature shall not be limited by sections 35 and 36 of this Article

"(b) *In this section, 'revision' includes a revision of the statutes on a particular subject and any enactment having the purpose, declared in the enactment, of codifying without substantive change statutes that individually relate to different subjects.*"

SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 4, 1986. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition. "The constitutional amendment requiring each house to include in its rules of procedure a rule that each bill contain a title expressing the Bill's subject, and providing for the continuing revision of state laws "

Adopted by the Senate on April 30, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 0; adopted by the House on May 16, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 7, one present not voting.

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